CONSERVATION COMMISSION

MINUTES (APPROVED 4/9/08)

MARCH 26, 2008

Present: J. Wiley, Chairman

A. Goetz, Vice Chairman B. Dyer, R. Turner, E. DiVirgilio

Absent: R. Jones, K. Phelps

Also Present: L. Hershey, Conservation Agent

P. Smith, Board Secretary

Conservation Agent report given to board members

MEETING OPENED: 7:10

EXTENSIONS

RAINBOW POND DEP # 315-803

The commission reviewed annual reports from Lycott Environmental, Inc.

Mr. Goetz made the motion to approve and issue a One-Year Extension

Mr. DiVirgilio seconded the motion

Vote: 4-0-0

EASTOVER RD. DEP # 315-640

The commission discussed the Order of Conditions that was issued in 2000 and has been extended twice. The commission stated there has been no activity on site and will deny the request for extension.

Mr. Goetz made the motion to deny the extension for Eastover Rd.

Mr. DiVirgilio seconded the motion

Vote: 4-0-0

BIRD ESTATES (Bylaw only) DEP # 315-468 The commission discussed that the applicant/representative should come before the commission to discuss the project and what needs to be done. The extension is needed but the commission will hold off on issuance and notify the applicant of this.

HANCOCK CT. EXTENSION DEP# 315-740

Mr. Goetz made the motion to approve and issue a One-Year Extension Mr. DiVirgilio seconded the motion

Vote: 4-0-0

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE OF INTENT WINTER ST. #699 DEP # 315- 921

OPENED: 7:33

Mr. Wiley read the advertisement from the Walpole Times

Mr. Wiley read board comments

Mr. Rick Merrikin, of Merrikin Engineering was present representing the applicant Mr. Tirrell who was also present.

Mr. Merrikin presented the commission with plans to repave an already existing gravel driveway at 699 Winter St. that is extremely long and his high maintenance. Mr. Merrikin stated the plan is to add a few culverts and install some post lights along the driveway as well.

Ms. Hershey stated she agrees the gravel and stone dust gets pushed into the wetlands and the driveway takes a lot of maintenance

Mr. Turner asked that the existing drains be inspected to see if repair or maintenance is needed while the work is being done

Ms. Dyer stated she agrees with Ms. Hershey and has no further comment

Mr. DiVirgilio stated the electrical for the lights along the driveway would be best put in the roadway for less disturbance

Mr. Goetz stated he agrees the electrical should be put in the drive. He also stated he would like to see the existing culverts cleaned out and repaired at the entrance of the driveway.

Mr. Wiley stated he would like to see a few additional drains under the driveway

Mr. Goetz made the motion to close the Public Hearing Mr. DiVirgilio seconded the motion

Closed: 7:55

The commission discussed following special conditions.

Existing culverts shall be repaired and maintained. A conduit shall be placed in the driveway for electrical for the light posts and detail shall be shown on the plan Two additional cross drains shall be added and existing gravel shall be removed. The commission stated any issues with the swale needs to be repaired and maintained. The commission also wants a copy of the easement to put in the file

A revised plan is needed before issuance

Mr. Goetz made the motion to approve and issue an Order of Conditions

Mr. DiVirgilio seconded the motion

Vote: 4-0-0

BOARD COMMENTS

The Zoning Board of Appeals has requested comments on 541 Fisher St. The commission stated this is out of the conservation commission's jurisdiction.

MINUTES

Mr. DiVirgilio made the motion to approve and accept the minutes of February 27, 2008

Ms. Dyer seconded the motion Vote: 3-0-1 (Mr. Wiley abstained)

OTHER BUSINESS

The commission discussed obtaining Notary Insurance and splitting the cost with other departments who are interested

TOWN WORK ORDER DEP# 315-683

The commission received notice of work to be done at Morgan Field including brush cutting and moving the fence around the little league field. The commission has no issues with this

156 BAKER ST.

A cease and desist notice was issued by the Building Inspectors office and Conservation Commission for the cutting of trees and brush that has been occurring at 156 Baker St. Both departments have spoken with the owner and the workers, and there have been numerous complaints by abutters to this property. Mr. Thurston needs to request approval from the commission under the Fast Track permit and show the proposed work. The commission also stated that the person cutting the trees should be notified he would be subject to fines if the cease and desist order is ignored.

The commission discussed and reviewed the following correspondence:

CORRESPONDENCE

- GZA groundwater report, Bird Landfill
- Finance committee letter
- Penney Engineering 1900 Main St
- CSX Transportation Yearly Operational Plan
- Oak St. report
- Board of Selectmen Attendance for ConCom
- Building Insp. Letter Gerard Assoc. 1415 Main St.

Meeting closed: 8:30